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Note verbale dated 11 June 2007 from the Permanent Mission of Switzerland to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Committee

The Permanent Mission of Switzerland to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1737 (2006) and, with reference to resolution 1747 (2007), has the honour to transmit the report of Switzerland in implementation of paragraph 8 of the resolution (see annex).

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Annex to the note verbale dated 11 June 2007 from the Permanent Mission of Switzerland to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Committee

Report of Switzerland in implementation of Security Council resolution 1747 (2007)

Switzerland reported to the Security Council on 23 February 2007 on the measures it had taken to implement the sanctions imposed in resolution 1737 (2006). On 14 February 2007, the Federal Council (the Swiss Government) had in particular issued an order instituting measures concerning the Islamic Republic of Iran.*

On 24 March 2007, the Security Council adopted resolution 1747 (2007), thereby strengthening the existing sanctions against the Islamic Republic of Iran. Paragraph 8 of the resolution calls upon all States to report to the Committee established pursuant to resolution 1737 (2006) on the implementation of the additional sanctions. In compliance with its international obligations, Switzerland has taken the following measures.

On 30 April 2007, the Federal Department of the Economy listed in annex 3 of the Order the names of the 15 natural persons and 13 entities listed in annex 1 of resolution 1747 (2007). Annex 3 of the Order contains the names of individuals and entities whose economic assets and resources have been frozen and to whom the transfer of economic assets or resources is prohibited. Before the entry into force of the amendment to annex 3 of the Order, the withdrawal of economic assets and resources belonging to or under the control of the persons and entities mentioned in annex 1 of resolution 1747 (2007) had been prohibited on the basis of the Order of 18 December 2002 of the Federal Banking Commission to combat money-laundering.

Following the update of annex 3 of the Order, the Federal authorities will inform the Committee established pursuant to resolution 1737 (2006) of the entry into or transit through Switzerland of any of the natural persons listed in annex 1 of resolution 1747 (2007).

Under the Federal Act of 13 December 1996 concerning war materiel, the import, transit and brokering of war materiel is subject to the authorization of the Federal authorities. Given that paragraph 5 of resolution 1747 (2007) prohibits the acquisition of arms or related materiel by the Islamic Republic of Iran, the granting of authorization for the import, transit or brokering of war materiel originating in the Islamic Republic of Iran is therefore prohibited.

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* The order is on file with the Secretariat and may be consulted there.